



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Department of Toxic Substances Control

MEDIA ADVISORY

Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor

Maureen F. Gorsen, Director

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 7, 2008

Contact:
Angela Blanchette
510-540-3732

Workshop on 'Strengthening California's Consumer Protection Laws' for California's Green Chemistry Initiative

On Thursday, May 8, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will hold a workshop in El Segundo for the public and other interested stakeholders to discuss how to strengthen California's consumer protection laws. At the workshop, members of the public and interested stakeholders (e.g. industry representatives, lobbyists, non-governmental organizations, etc.) will work together to help identify options to strengthen the state's consumer protection laws. These options will in turn be presented in a report from Cal/EPA Secretary Linda Adams to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger this summer on the California's Green Chemistry Initiative. The Green Chemistry Initiative strives to reduce or eliminate the use of toxic chemicals in our products through smarter design, manufacturing and packaging of products.

What: Workshop on "Strengthening California's Consumer Protection Laws" for California's Green Chemistry Initiative

When: May 8, 2008
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: El Segundo Public Library
111 W. Mariposa Avenue
El Segundo, CA

For more detailed information about the May 8 workshop, please visit DTSC's website at:

http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/PollutionPrevention/GreenChemistryInitiative/CP_Laws.cfm

Workshop participants will be encouraged to continue the "conversation with California" following the meeting by posting comments on DTSC's green chemistry blog site at:

<http://californiagreenchemistry.squarespace.com/welcome/>

###

The mission of the Department of Toxic Substances Control is to provide the highest level of safety, and to protect public health and the environment from toxic harm.